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they had a dramatic drop in their state aid last year, and so a percentage of that doesn't restore them to where they were two years ago. She said they had no room for any more students. When Lincoln wouldn't, apparently, I don't remember the details, take Denton, they took Denton Public Schools in and send school buses to the Lincoln city limits. An hour and fifteen minutes is what they do, and they are supposed to consolidate and bring in more people, and there's no room. Somehow, somehow, we have to understand that the one thing that needed to be done was an adjustment made for the impact of 1114, the \$1.10 levy, on Class VI schools and affiliated systems, and that we have begun the process of doing. It's my belief that the impact of 1114, by itself, is more than any school or as much as any school needs to comply with, that we need to be looking at steps to ensure that all of the children in Nebraska are afforded some reasonably comparable educational systems and that we don't create any more havoc than what we already have. Thank you for your time, Senator Dierks.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Dierks, you have about two and a half minutes.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam President and members of the Legislature. I think this...I do appreciate the debate this morning and the different views that have been expressed. I think it was necessary for the record. I think that we needed to be able to vent our spleen, so to speak, and I believe that with this understanding that all is not well with the funding mechanism in 806, there has to be some other way for us to look at it. I think my amendment does that. I think there are some other amendments that might even do it better, and with that, I am going to withdraw the amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Dierks. The amendment is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, may I read some items while we're...

SENATOR CROSBY: Yes.

CLERK: ...thank you. Senator Beutler would move to place LB 620 on General File, (LB) 621 General File, (LB) 678 on